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Mr. Bivan Patnaik
c/o Docket Management Facility
(USCG-2003-14273)
Department of Transportation, Rm PL-401
400 Seventh Street SW
Washington, DC 20590-0001

RE: USCG-2003-14273
BALLAST WATER MANAGEMENT PRACTICES

Dear Mr. Patnaik,

We have reviewed your letter of 5 August 2003 regarding the above referenced federal action. You provided a copy of the environmental assessment for the proposed rules along with your letter. Following our own public notice on the action, we have no comments on the assessment and no objections to the proposed rules.

Thank you for coordinating with the Oregon Ocean-Coastal Management Program. I can be reached at 503-373-0050 x248 or by e-mail at don.oswalt@state.or.us should you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Don Oswalt
Coastal Program Coordinator

cc: Dale Blanton, DLCD

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